

STATEMENT FOR THE RECORD JENNIFER ESCHBACH EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, OHIO ASSOCIATION OF NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS (OANO) HOUSE WAYS AND MEANS SUBCOMMITTEE ON SELECT REVENUE MEASURES "HEARING ON CERTAIN EXPIRING TAX PROVISIONS"

April 30, 2012

Chairman Tiberi, Ranking Member Neal, and distinguished members of the Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures, I am writing to support a recent statement submitted by Diana Aviv of Independent Sector, regarding the extension of tax incentives that are beneficial to the nonprofit community.

I serve as the executive director of the Ohio Association of Nonprofit Organizations. We represent 500 nonprofit member organizations in the state of Ohio. OANO's mission is to provide leadership, education, and advocacy to enhance the ability of Ohio's nonprofit organizations to serve their communities.

We are asking Congress to immediately pass a one-year extension of all the expired tax extenders provisions which include the IRA charitable rollover, as well as the enhanced deductions for donations of food, books, computer equipment, and real property for conservation purposes.

As I'm sure you're aware, in recent years, nonprofits have experienced an increase in demand for services. In surveys, OANO's members have reported a 45% increase in demand for their organizations' services. It is important that Congress reinstate these incentives for charitable giving, particularly during a time of such great need.

Thank you for your consideration.

Ohio Organizations Signing On In Support:

Achievement Centers for Children – Highland Hills
ACLU of Ohio
AIDS Resource Center Ohio
Capital University - Columbus
Christian Camp and Conference Association, Ohio Section
Cincinnati Union Bethel - Cincinnati
Fore Hope – Columbus
Godman Guild – Columbus
LeaderSpark, Inc. - Columbus
Life Enrichment Center - Dayton
Nehemiah House of Refuge - Columbus
Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Cleveland - Cleveland
New Avenues to Independence – Cleveland

Oasis House - Dayton
Ohio Campus Compact – Granville
Ohio Environmental Council
Ohio Jewish Communities - Columbus
Pleasant Vineyard Ministries - Camden
The Sandy Johnson Foundation: Making Our Roads Safer – Columbus
Warren County Community Services